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	CE	3	5	5	0	3	1	8	12/29/1970	Remke et al.	47	37	
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	CK	3	6	8	1	1	0	5	08/01/1972	Milutin et al.	117	15	
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	CM	3	7	9	3	7	9	9	02/26/1974	Howe et al.	53	32	
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	CS	4	0	5	4	6	9	7	10/18/1977	Reed et al.	428	40	
	CT	4	0	9	1	9	2	5	05/30/1978	Griffo et al.	206	423	
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DG	4	4	0	0	9	1	0	0	08/30/1983	Koudstall et al.	47	84	
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DS	4	7	7	3	1	8	2	2	09/27/1988	Weder et al.	47	72	
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DW	4	8	3	5	8	3	4	4	06/06/1989	Weder	29	525	
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	EJ	5	1	9	9	2	4	2	04/06/1993	Weder et al.	53	397	
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	ES	5	3	1	5	7	8	5	05/31/1994	Avôt et al.	47	72	
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	EU	5	3	5	3	5	7	5	10/11/1994	Stepanek	53	461	
	EV	5	3	6	1	4	8	2	11/08/1994	Weder et al.	29	469	
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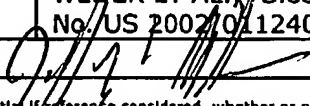
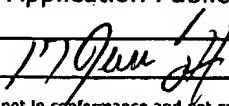
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IG	"Now More Than Ever", Supermarket Floral, September 15, 1992.													
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